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SECTION I - DEFINITIONS AND ACRONYMS, PROGRAM BACKGROUND AND OVERVIEW

DEFINITIONS AND ACRONYMS

The following acronyms and definitions are specific to this Request for Application and should be reviewed thoroughly.

CDO Cooperative Development Organization: U.S.-based

cooperative, or organization with organic links to the U.S.

cooperative movement, that promotes and supports

international cooperative development

CDP PVC-ASHA's Cooperative Development Program

Cooperative An independent, private, member-owned and democratically-

governed business enterprise, created with equity financed by members who invest in order to benefit through their

patronage.

CPO Cooperative Promotional Organization: An organization in

countries where project activities take place that promotes, finances or otherwise supports cooperative development in

that country

CTO Cognizant Technical Officer

DCHA Bureau for Democracy, Conflict and Humanitarian Assistance

IR Intermediate Result

NICRA Negotiated Indirect Cost Rate Agreement

NGO Non-governmental organization in countries where project

activities take place - includes cooperatives and nongovernmental cooperative development organizations

governmental cooperative development organizations

PVC-ASHA Office of Private and Voluntary Cooperation - American

Schools and Hospitals Abroad

PVO U.S.-based private voluntary organization engaged in

international development

RFA Request for Application

SO Strategic Objective

USAID United States Agency for International Development